

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Vacancy Announcement Number: GEU401386

Opening Date: June 17, 2004

Cut off Date: June 30, 2004

Position: Water Treatment Plant Operator, WG-5409-11/FPL: WG-11

Salary: \$21.55 - \$25.17 Hourly

Place of Work: U.S. Army Engineer District, Baltimore, Washington Aqueduct Division, Plant Operations Branch, McMillan Section, Water Operations Unit,

Duty Stations: Washington, DC

Position Status: This is a Permanent position -- Full Time

Number of Vacancies: 1

Duties: Serves as the Shift Responsible Operator in Charge w/ the authority to make critical decisions concerning plant operations. These include chemical application to settled water, troubleshooting non-emergency operational problems at the treatment plant, & overseeing any necessary changes in elevation control in any of the settled & finished water reservoirs. Oversees all operations of the plant SCADA system, which is used for the processing of an average of 180 million gallons per day of potable water. Determines treatment & operational changes needed to remain within regulatory limits of purity, chemical requirements, & water production needs. Analyzes present & anticipated raw water quality, evaluates test results, & changes chemical feed rates, filtration rate, & other parameters to keep operations within established limits. Maintains proper elevation through the treatment process by operating gates, monitoring elevations, & coordinating filtration rates. Records logs of all readings.

Who May Apply:

- THIS IS A DELEGATED EXAMINING ANNOUNCEMENT, OPEN TO ALL US CITIZENS. APPLICATIONS MAY BE FAXED TO 410-306-1284/0106 OR MAILED TO NECPOC, 314 JOHNSON ST., APG, MD 21005, ATTN: DEU. RESUMES MUST INCLUDE THE ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER OR THEY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. DO NOT INCLUDE E-MAIL ATTACHMENTS.
- Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP) eligibles.

Qualifications:

NOTES: (1) CUT-OFF FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS THE FIRST 30 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED OR CLOSING DATE, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. (2) SELECTIVE PLACEMENT FACTOR: MUST POSSESS & MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE

CLASS III WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR CERTIFICATION BY THE ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF CERTIFICATION.

Applicants must state in their resumes that they possess this certification, or include a copy of the certification. (3) Employee is subject to work on any of the three shifts including weekends & holidays, & must report according to posted schedule regardless of weather conditions, etc. Water Treatment Plant Operators are essential personnel. They must be willing & able to work all work schedules, all shifts, weekends, holidays, emergencies & whenever needed. (4) This is a critical sensitive position, will require a background investigation & will require the candidate to obtain & maintain a security clearance. (5) This is a Drug Testing Designated Position. Must successfully pass pre-employment & periodic random drug tests. (6) Pre-employment and annual physicals are required.

PHYSICAL EFFORT: Operators are subject to long periods of standing, sitting, walking, bending, stopping on hard concrete floors while taking readings, cleaning filters, etc. Operators must have the ability to climb over & between pipes, move heavy objects with hand trucks, clear feeders & feed hoppers with long steel rods & be able to do some repair work while wearing self-contained breathing apparatus.

WORKING CONDITIONS: Work is performed in several areas with extreme temperature & humidity variation. Inside work is performed on hard floors such as concrete or quarry tile, & employee may be subject to possible shock & bumps, skin irritation & fumes from chemicals. Employee is subject to poisonous chlorine fume inhalation, & must carry escape type masks while adjusting levels with designed equipment & storage areas or while connecting, disconnecting or repairing a damaged cylinder. Where there is a known chlorine atmosphere all personnel must wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

SEE OTHER REQUIREMENTS SECTION FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING KSAs: 1. ABILITY TO DO THE WORK OF THE POSITION WITHOUT MORE THAN NORMAL SUPERVISION (SCREEN-OUT ELEMENT). 2. Knowledge and operation of water treatment plant. 3. Work practices in water treatment plant operation. 4. Tests and measurements. 5. Ability to interpret instructions, specifications, etc. 6. Dexterity and safety.

Experience and training that furnish the knowledges, skills, and abilities needed to perform the duties of this position consistent with accepted practices of the trade.

Ability to use and maintain appropriate tools and equipment. Ability to read, understand, and apply instruction and other materials related to the job. Ability to do the work of the position under normal supervision.

The experience described in your resume will be evaluated as related to the qualifications, knowledge, skills and abilities required for this job.

Other Information:

- Permanent Change of Station (PCS) expenses will be authorized.

Other Requirements:

- You will be required to provide proof of U.S. Citizenship.
- License/Certification: Valid state drivers license is required.
- Male applicants born after December 31, 1959 must complete a Pre-Employment Certification Statement for Selective Service Registration.
- Direct Deposit of Pay is Required.
- Position requires employee to wear a uniform and/or protective clothing.
- You must include the announcement number on your application.
- You may claim Military Spouse Preference.
- Applicants claiming Veterans' Preference must submit required paperwork at the time of application.
- Applicants must provide a narrative that addresses each of the knowledge, skills and abilities (KSAs) on plain bond paper and submit it along with the other application materials. Information may include experience, education, training and awards as it relates to each KSA. Since you will be rated based on your possession of the KSAs listed in this announcement and a ranking determination made which affects your chance for employment, it would benefit you to provide your responses to the KSAs.
- Failure to provide all of the required information as stated in the vacancy announcement may result in an ineligible rating or may affect the overall rating.

How to Apply:

- Resumes must be received by the closing date of this announcement.
- You may send your resume via surface mail to: Northeast CPOC, DEU STAFF, 314 Johnson St, APG, MD 21005
- You may fax your resume to: 410-306-1284/0106

Point of Contact: DEU Staff, Northeast CPOC, 410-306-0031

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Applicants will receive appropriate consideration without regard to non-merit factors such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation except

where specifically authorized by law, age, politics or disability which do not relate to successful performance of the duties of this position. Otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities who need reasonable accommodation may notify the agency Point of Contact on this announcement of their need.

SELECTION FOR THIS POSITION IS SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS RESULTING FROM DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REFERRAL SYSTEM FOR DISPLACED EMPLOYEES.